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The area from Gerstle to Black Point provides some of the safest and most utilized fishing and diving along the Sonoma Coast. Salt Point State Park is maintained by taxes and park fees, which are largely paid by divers and fishermen. The state park provides the largest public ocean access in that area. To close that area to fishing would unfairly deny fishing access to thousands of tax payers and park users who have financially supported the park for years. Sea Ranch has 5 public access points with 4 parking spaces each and provides very little safe diving or fishing. A closure of "Black Point to Gualala" causes far less restriction to the fishing public and causes far less economic impact on the State Park System. The State Park System lost millions of dollars in this year's budget process. Please leave "Gerstle Cove to Black Point" open for fishing and diving.